FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA EASTERN DIVISION

VIL ACTION NO.: CV-05 3!05cd 752-F

SPECIAL APPEARANCE - JOINDER AND CONSENT TO REMOVAL

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Defendants American International Group, Inc. ("AIG") and American General Corporation ("AGC"), making a special appearance by and through their counsel of record, appear solely for the purpose of joining in and consenting to the removal of this action to the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Eastern Division. In so doing, AIG and AGC do not waive and specifically preserve their defense of lack of personal jurisdiction, as well as other defenses pursuant to Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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